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PRISON POPULATION GAINS

Florida's state prison population showed an increase in November for the first time in more than a year, despite the fact that more and more men are entering military service.

We suspect that wartime prosperity is one of the major factors behind the increase. Many individuals who cannot discipline themselves begin to splurge to excess the moment they find themselves in a prosperous condition.

But the increase in our prison population now is slight in comparison with what it will be after the war when we begin to reap the real harvest from juvenile delinquency. Juvenile delinquency now grows up to be adult crime—Lakeland Ledger.

AMERICAN WASTE

It used to be said that a French family could live well on the food an American family threw away. It was not as much of an exaggeration, at that. The beefsteak or lamb-ribs or chop bones, with small gobs of meat sticking to them, which used to go

so gaily into so many garbage cans, would be the basis for soup stock by a thrifty French mama.

The broccoli or asparagus sticks, the branched parts of the spinach, the half of an onion, the core of the head of cabbage—these would give the soup vitamins and flavor.

The Russians, it is now said, eat less than we waste. Daily American food waste amounts to two-thirds of a pound of food per person. In the siege of Leningrad, the Russians lived on four slices of black bread and one glass of water per day. Not that they liked it, or were not glad to get back to meals of more nourishment and greater frequency.

But in all seriousness, Americans are said to waste almost 15 per cent of their food supply. The total of waste-land food sent by us to all the nations served by that method is far less than that Americans can save enough by care and intelligence to rescue starving millions, with no loss to themselves.—Sanford Herald.

EVILS OF STRONG DRINK

A clergyman was being shaved by a barber who had evidently become unnerved by the previous night's dissipation. Finally he cut the clergyman's chin. The latter looked up at the barber reproachfully and said:

"You see, my good man, what comes of hard drinking."

"Yes, sir," the barber replied consolingly.

"It sure makes the skin tender, don't it?"—Exchange.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

by Russell May

Florida has every reason to welcome the New Year with hope and confidence. Few states face a future outlook so bright and promising. State finances are in excellent shape. Tax collections are the best in years; large and healthy surpluses are stacking up ready for use in any emergency; revenues are far ahead of anything anticipated and at the same time the tax has not been too burdensome.

With the war going well, indications point to a slackening off in industrial activities. Before the year is out we may see many of our present war industries curtailed or discontinued but it is not a prospect that need cause undue alarm. Other industries of a permanent nature will arise to replace them and such unemployment as may temporarily occur will be met with funds budgeted for this purpose.

When military establishments are curtailed, as they are very apt to be during the coming year, it will give us an opportunity to sort of tidy up and put our house in order preparatory to caring for the greatest tourist trade in the state's history.

An indication of what may be expected in this direction is already evident in the steady influx of visitors today, in spite of the rigid travel restrictions, gasoline shortage and general inconvenience which under ordinary circumstances would tend to discourage such movement.

The year should witness a general readjustment. Small businesses and industries, hard hit by the war, will be reestablished while those that have sprung up to make mushroom growth as purely "war babies" will feel the pinch and many will disappear.

Our agricultural outlook is ex-

cellent. Food will be needed in greater quantities and if given an opportunity to do so Florida can meet this need in a big way for, from the standpoint of agricultural production, this state has hardly more than scratched the surface.

During the past year, Florida has established an enviable record in her loyal support of the war effort. Her contributions have been heavy in all branches of the service; she has supported every war loan magnificently; in the collection of waste fats, waste paper and other scrap she has led many of her sister states and will continue to do so.

Compared with other sections of the country, Florida has been relatively free of labor troubles. Strikes and wage stoppages have been few. Differences between labor and industry have been quickly adjusted in most instances. This situation can continue and even improve if both sides will cooperate a spirit of justice and fair play and such quarrels are kept more or less in our own family and free from outside influence.

Efforts of labor racketeers have been noticed in certain areas and such troubles have come from outside rather than within the state. A firm and determined, better, a UNITED, stand on the part of both Florida labor and Florida industry to discourage such outside efforts and care for our own affairs will do much to solve the problem.

The only real cloud on the picture is the ever-present danger of bureaucratic interference and meddling, primarily from Washington, which will retard progress, foster ill will and generally mess things up.

Most of the troubles that have

READY FOR YOUR PLANTING . . . Tropical Fruit Trees ALSO MANY SHRUBS, SHADE TREES AND PALMS

At Our Nurseries
1180 Southern Boulevard
(Road 25)
West Palm Beach

We have satisfied customers in many parts of the 'Glades.

ISLAND LANDSCAPE CO.

PATRONIZE THE ADVERTISERS



LIKE a worn out old boot we discard the old year, and we voice the hope that 1944 will see many more unpleasant things thrown into the eternal discard. And now, we join our friends in the general rejoicing, and wish you a Very Happy New Year.

ALFAR
BELLE GLADE, FLA.

WANT ADS

LOST: Ration books No. 3 and No. 4, Alice Benefield, Rogers Building, Pahokee, Fla. J7p.

LOST: Ration book, Frank Mercer, Box 13, Pahokee, Fla. J7p.

LOST: Ration Books, Lucille Daniels, No. 3 book; Robert Lee Daniels, No. 3 book; Sammy Lee Daniels, No. 3 and No. 4 book; Henry Williams, No. 3 book, Stuckey Quarters, Pahokee, Fla.

LOST or stolen, Ration Book No. 4, Jesse J. Johnson, P. O. Box 431, Pahokee, Fla. J7p.

AT FIRST SIGN OF A

COLD
USE
666
666 TABLETS, SALVE, NOSE DROPS

Plants For The Garden
Broccoli, Cabbage, Cauliflower, Celery, Collard, Eggplant, Kale, and Pepper.

2 doz. for 25c. 50 for 35c.
100 for 60c.
Pepper and Eggplant, 1000, \$3.00
ANNUAL FLOWER PLANTS
Asters, Marigolds, Nasturtium, Petunias, Pansy, Snapdragon, etc.
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EDWARD OLSEN
P. O. Box 162 Pahokee, Fla.

OUR GIFT SHOP

Considering the many critical materials used in the manufacture of gift items—we feel fortunate in being able to show so many well chosen things we now have available for the Holiday season—May we suggest that you arrange for your holiday remembrances as early as possible.

Our Gift Shop has been enlarged.

Halsey & Griffith, Inc.
STATIONERS
West Palm Beach



ON THE THRESHOLD OF 1944 IT MAY BE APPROPRIATE TO ENVISION A BETTER WORLD . . . "A WORLD WHICH SHALL AFFORD TO ALL NATIONS THE MEANS OF DWELLING IN SAFETY WITHIN THEIR BOUNDARIES, AND WHICH WILL AFFORD ASSURANCE THAT ALL MEN IN ALL LANDS MAY LIVE OUT THEIR LIVES IN FREEDOM FROM FEAR AND WANT." MAY GOD SPEED THAT DAY, WE PRAY, AS WE SEND YOU OUR NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS.

CHANDLER'S

JULIAN CHANDLER

PAHOKEE

AIRACOBAS TESTED ON SINCLAIR PENNSYLVANIA MOTOR OIL



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SAVE WEAR WITH

SINCLAIR

OIL IS
AMMUNITION.
USE IT WISELY.

A. E. Kirchman, Agent
Belle Glade, Florida



The hum of those Liberators high in the sky is a portent of progress—a glimpse of the reality that, speed the day lies beyond the turn of the road. Freedom is on the march!

That you may participate in all of the good things that 1944 may bring is our sincere New Year's wish for you.

JORDON JEWELRY STORE
PAHOKEE, FLA.



HAPPY NEW YEAR

For many years in succession we have been wishing our friends and customers a Happy New Year. It is with the greatest of pleasure that we now renew this custom. Many thanks, and every good wish for you.

PRINCE & EVERGLADES
THEATRES

THE OLD JUDGE SAYS...



"The men overseas don't mince any words about the way they want to find this country when they come marching home... do they, Judge?"

"They certainly don't, Herb... and they shouldn't. They're doing a wonderful job fighting over there to protect our rights and they have good cause to expect us to protect theirs back here at home. One thing they're mighty clear on is their stand on prohibition."

"I saw in the paper just the other day the results of a poll taken among American

service men in England by the British Institute of Public Opinion. They asked hundreds of men point blank how they would vote on prohibition, 85% of them stated, in unmistakable terms, that they would vote against it. There's no doubt about it, Herb... the men overseas don't want any action taken on that subject while they're away."

"And they're 100% right, Judge, because I know how I felt when I came home after the last war—only to learn that we had been over there fighting for so impractical a thing as Prohibition."

HOLIDAY GREETINGS 1944

ELMER JONES
PAHOKEE

To have served you in 1943 has been a privilege and a privilege. We hope we have served you well enough to merit your patronage in 1944. Right now we want to say Happy New Year To You and Yours



What value is gratitude if it forever remains unexpressed? We are grateful to you for the loyalty which has enabled us to make measureable progress during these difficult times. And we want you to know it. WE WISH FOR YOU IN 1944 LOADS OF GOOD LUCK

GEIGER LUMBER CO.

VICTOR L. GEIGER

PAHOKEE

NEW HOPE & SINCEREST WISHES



PROGRESS IS THE KEYNOTE OF THE FUTURE, AND ON ONE POINT AT LEAST WE ARE FIRMLY RESOLVED. WE ARE GOING TO SERVE OUR CUSTOMERS STILL BETTER IN 1944. OUR EARNEST WISH IS THAT THE COMING YEAR MAY HAVE MANY UNEXPECTED BLESSINGS IN STORE FOR YOU AND YOURS.



HOME TOWN BAKERY
PAHOKEE, FLA.

Spirit of '44 GREETINGS



MANY years of continued progress can, in no small measure, be attributed to your esteemed friendship and cherished patronage. To all of you we extend thanks and most sincere holiday greetings, with the hope that 1944 has in store for you much that is beyond your most optimistic expectations.

PAHOKEE LUMBER CO.

PHONE 2151

PAHOKEE

Use Your Shortening To Shorten War

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 30. (AP)—Margaret Mitchell, who founded the nation's first shortening company, urged today that Americans use shortening to help shorten the war.

Here is the message the author of "Gone With the Wind" has-

shortening now being for the first time in a program to help shorten the war. In a message broadcast recently to housewives, Mrs. Mitchell, who in private life is Mrs. John Marsh, of Atlanta, urged: "The more shortening you use, the more you help shorten the war."

— AT THE —

Prince Theatre

PAHOKEE, FLA.

Sat. Owl Show, Sunday & Monday

January 1, 2, and 3, 1944

"Action in the North Atlantic"

with Humphrey Bogart and Raymond Massey



HEAR THE MUSIC OF THE BELLS

Ring out wild bells your New Year's greetings. Blow, whistles, blow! On with the dance, let the joy be unconfined! Again we wish for you all the good things that 1944's cornucopie may contain.

PALM SERVICE STATION
PAHOKEE, FLA.



TICK, tock! Tick, tock! 1943 is wearing out. Another and, we hope, much better year, is ahead of us. Let us enter it with new zeal, new hope, new objectives. Looking forward, we wish you all the blessings the bright New Year can possibly bring.

SHERIFF'S DEPT.
L. R. BAKER, Sheriff



WE can hardly wish you 365 SUNNY days during 1944, but we can and do wish you 365 HAPPY days. We hope that the coming year brings you more true happiness, true friendships, and more opportunities than any year that has gone before.

GIDDENS FURNITURE STORE
CANAL POINT, FLA.

Seek Removal Of Vegetable Ceiling

ORLANDO, Dec. 30. (AP)—

The Florida Vegetable Committee, representing vegetable growers of the state, has taken up with the Florida congressional delegation the situation created by freezing weather of the past week and requested them to confer with Fred M. Zinner and the Office of Price Administration in an effort to have ceiling prices removed at least temporarily until the industry has an opportunity to determine where it stands. Heavy crop loss in some areas completely change the picture and growers hesitate to replant until they have some assurance that they will be permitted to market crops without loss.

"This cold damage should show Washington officials the impracticability of rigid prices on crops dependent entirely on the weather," said John Ford, secretary of the Florida Farm Bureau. "Vegetable men in Florida are willing to gamble on their crops, but under the present set up it is everything to lose and nothing to gain."

Mrs. J. F. Williamson and daughter, Betty, of Madison, Fla., and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Powell and their children of Panama City are guests this weekend of Mrs. W. J. Williamson.

Hamson and Mrs. Powell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Waring and their brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Waring.



SOME day soon we hope to thank you personally for your kindness to us during 1943. But right now, with the Spirit of New Year's in the air we want to say

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Western Auto Associate Store
I. M. Lair

PAHOKEE

Since The Frost . . .

There is more danger of fire in the Lake Region farm area. We sincerely hope everybody will co-operate fully with our department in reporting any and all fires immediately.

If you spot a fire on the muck, please notify this office or inform a member of the State Highway Patrol, who will immediately get in touch with us by State Radio.

With your co-operation this department can keep the fires—which are sure to occur following the frost—under control.

Everglades Fire Control Dist.

Guy Bender, Chief, Belle Glade.



Over's home may be frail, its roof may shake, the wind may blow through it, the storms may enter, the rain may enter, but at New Year's even such a home may be bright with cheer.

Standing on the threshold of 1944 there is reason to believe that the new chapter has brighter pages for all. With this thought we extend to all OUR SINCERE NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS

KILGORE SEED CO.

Phone 3201

PAHOKEE, FLA.



The past comes before us in review... memories of peaceful New Year's, memories of rainy New Year's, and of New Year's Eves when the wind shrieked like a banshee and sleigh-bells jangled along country roads; memories of when this town was young. Yes, we have seen many a New Year's come and go.

To the oldest inhabitant, to the youngest, and to all the good folk in between, we say now, as we have said so often,

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

GLADES MOTOR LINES, INC.

"SERVING THE GLADES"



More than a half a century ago Robert Barry Coffin wrote:

"I have ships that went to sea More than fifty years ago; More have yet come back to me, That keep sailing to and fro."

We don't want that to happen to you, kind friend. This year A.D. 1944 is the year we want your ship to come in.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

O. R. BLEECH

PHONE 3681

PAHOKEE

Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Herring of Belle Glade were dinner guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Herring, in Pahokee on Christmas day.

Cleve C. Cruthird returned home this week from Atlanta, Ga., after receiving an honorable discharge for physical disability from the Army.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL ITEMS

MRS. G. B. RAMEY
Pahokee Phone 2052

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Carpenter and Miss Dorothea Carpenter had as holiday guests the past week L. L. Noel Sonnenchein and Lt. Byrd Ryan who are stationed at the Dale Mabry Air Field near Tallahassee.

Mrs. Sydney K. Smith of Jacksonville is spending the holidays in Pahokee with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Dulany.

Miss Mary Eriker, Clearwater Beach, is the guest of Miss Jean Shaughnessy in Pahokee this weekend.

Ralph Grimes, who recently returned here with Mrs. Grimes from Puerto Rico, will go to Camp Blanding for induction in the armed services on Jan. 6.

William DeLoach, Jr., of Pahokee enlisted in the U. S. Navy as aviation cadet on Monday. He will finish his senior year at the Pahokee High School before reporting for basic training at a Navy training school. His father, William DeLoach, MM 2-c, has been serving overseas for the past six months.

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Fletcher spent the weekend in Miami with their daughter, Miss Mabel Fletcher.

Joe Hutton, Jr., and Charles F. McQuigg, Jr., both of whom are seamen 1-c attending the navy gunnery school in Jacksonville,

spent several days the past week visiting their parents in Pahokee.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Cross are ill with the flu this week at their home on Bacon Point Road.

R. G. Johnson, Jr., has been ill at his home for the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Uher of Buffalo, N. Y., were holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Pool.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Carden and son, Weldon, of Miami spent the holiday weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Jenkins.

Pfc. James Harry Wilkinson returned to Camp Edwards, Mass., this week after a visit here with his wife and parents.

Mrs. L. H. Kimball and daughters and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Cowart of Canal Point were guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Cowart in South Bay on Christmas day.

Mrs. Owen Bowman was called to Cleveland this week because of illness of her husband there.

Pvt. and Mrs. Harold Wilkinson have returned to Athens, Ga., after a visit here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wilkinson, Sr. He is taking an officers training course at the University of Georgia.

Petty Officer 2-c and Mrs. Steve Underhill and daughter spent a 10-day furlough here with his mother. He is stationed at the Fort Pierce base.

Mrs. J. L. Butler and daughters have arrived for a visit with her mother, Mrs. George Grimes and her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Stevens.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Burnside and family of Miami spent Christmas here with his mother, Mrs. S. J. Jones, and sister, Mrs. Ueber Caruthers.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Uwin and children and the Misses Ruth and Lucille Cochran of Panama City spent Christmas here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Uwin.

Sgt. and Mrs. Marvin Uwin, Hobbs, New Mexico, spent the Christmas holidays with his parents here and her mother in West Palm Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Mills of Canal Point announce the birth of a son, Herman Lester, at the Everglades Memorial Hospital on Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Frasure of Pahokee announce the birth of a son at the Everglades Memorial Hospital on Wednesday, Dec. 29. He has been named Homer Watson Frasure, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben S. Waring and children returned Tuesday night from Plant City where they were called recently because of the illness and death of Mrs. Waring's mother, Mrs. J. C. Lucas.

Announce Engagement

Mrs. Florence Cox of Pahokee announces the engagement of her daughter, Mrs. Lucille Cox Johnson, to Harlow Sims, son of Mr. J. M. Sims of Canal Point. Mr. Sims is a dragline operator now employed in the Belle Glade area. Mrs. Johnson has been working at the A&P grocery in Pahokee for the past year.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Anderson had as holiday guests Mr. and Mrs. W. Reynard and daughter of Fort Lauderdale.

Bill Shipley arrived Tuesday on leave from the Navy for a visit with his wife and other relatives here.

Sgt. I. J. Frasure reported for duty in Miami Thursday after spending the holidays with relatives in Pahokee.

FOR SHERIFF



BILL STERMAN
Of West Palm Beach

The people believe in him as an efficient and qualified man as proven by his 23 years association in business and public life in Palm Beach County. The public throughout the county endorses him as the man to fulfill the duties of this office aggressively, economically and courageously.

YOUR VOTE AND SUPPORT WILL BE APPRECIATED
(This Political Advertisement Paid For by Friends)

WSGS TO MEET TUESDAY
The WSGS or the Canal Point Methodist church will meet Tuesday, Jan. 4, at 2:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. E. S. Doherty in Canal Point.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Crosby and children of West Palm Beach are spending the holidays in Pahokee.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Herring, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Crosby.

Miss Lillian Burns of Fitzgerald, Fla., is visiting her father, T. L. Burns, and family in Pahokee over the holidays.

Capt. Earl "Spider" Lindrose

returned to Fort Benning, Ga., on Sunday after a visit with relatives here.

Miss Lois Rogers of Dover, Fla., has arrived to make her home with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Jaudon. She will attend Pahokee High School while here.



IT IS on New Year's that we keep "open house"—a happy old traditional custom. On such occasions how important that one's home be inviting and comfortable. We have been particularly fortunate for many years in that we have helped our customers and friends to make their homes more livable.

To all whom we have thus served, to all whom we may serve in the future, we send the season's greetings.

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HARDWARE

BELLE GLADE



May this New Year's bear a photographic likeness to the one of your heart's desire, and may 1944 be an album of 366 very happy days. This, friends and patrons, is our New Year's wish for you.

Kahn's Dept. Store

First With The New Pahokee



Paul Revere was born on New Year's Day, 1735. We hail that day! And just as he returned to his goldsmith's work, long after his historic ride, so will we return to the normal occupations of the ways of peace. That day we also hail, looking forward to it with renewed hope:

On this Eve of New Year, 1944, we salute all of our friends. Happy New Year to you!

Glades Equipment Co.

F. M. Shaughnessy, Owner

Pahokee, Fla.



Our entire business has been built upon friendship. We look upon all our customers as our friends, and are determined to give them the friendliest service possible. It is our aim to wrap up a little friendliness in each transaction.

Thanks, friends; one and all, for the privilege of serving you. And we want to say right now, as fervently as we can say it...

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Best Insecticides

Distributor Of...

Dupont Insecticides and Fungicides

Warren R. Rietz, Owner

Pahokee, Florida

Holiday Cheer



The future? Your guess is as good as ours—but, if our wishes count for anything, there is a lot of health and happiness in store for you in 1944.

PAHOKEE POLICE DEPT.